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THE LABOUR FORCE - VICTORIA
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INQUIRIES

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MAIN FEATURES

The estimated number of unemployed persons in December 1980 was 119,600 or 6.5% of the labour force. This is an increase of 24,100 (25%) over November 1980 and an increase of 15,700 (15%) over December 1979.

The number of people looking for full-time work increased by 19,100 to 98,500 (approximately 6.3% of the full-time labour force) 14,200 more than in December 1979.

The category to show the largest increase was unemployed young people aged 15-19 years. The figure moved from 28,300 in November to 45,800 in December, a rise of 17,500 accounting for 72% of the overall rise.

No categories showed a significant drop in unemployment.

NOTE. As explained in paragraph 5 below, an investigation is being undertaken of methods and procedures used in producing the estimates.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

Introduction

This monthly publication, first published for August 1978, contains Victorian labour force estimates derived from the population survey conducted throughout Australia each month by the ABS.

Conduct of ABS population survey

2. The survey is based on a multi-stage area sample of private dwellings (about 6,500 houses, flats, etc.) and non-private dwellings (hotels, motels, etc.) and covers about one half of one per cent of the Victorian population. The information is obtained from the occupants of selected dwellings by carefully chosen and specially trained interviewers. The interviews are generally conducted during the two weeks beginning on the Monday between the 6th and the 12th of each month. Because of operational problems arising from the Christmas and New Year holidays December surveys commence a week earlier than usual (with most interviews being conducted during the second week) and January

surveys commence a week later than usual. The information obtained relates to the week prior to the interview (i.e., the survey week).

Scope of survey

3. All persons aged fifteen years and over are included in the survey except: members of the permanent defence forces; certain diplomatic personnel of overseas governments, customarily excluded from census and estimated populations; overseas visitors holidaying in Australia; and members of non-Australian defence forces (and their dependants) stationed in Australia.

Definitions

4. The labour force category to which a person is assigned depends on his actual activity (i.e., whether working, looking for work, etc.) during the survey week. The definitions conform closely to the international standard definitions recommended by the International Labour Organisation.

Employed persons comprise all those aged 15 years and over who, during the survey week:

- (a) worked for one hour or more for pay, profit, commission, or payment in kind in a job or business, or on a farm (including employees, employers, and self-employed persons); or
- (b) worked for fifteen hours or more without pay in a family business or on a farm (i.e., unpaid family helper); or
- (c) were employees who had a job but were not at work and were: on paid leave; on leave without pay for less than four weeks up to the end of the survey week; stood down without pay because of bad weather or plant breakdown at their place of employment for less than four weeks, up to the end of the survey week; on strike or locked out; on workers' compensation and expected to be returning to their job; or receiving wages or salary while undertaking full-time study; or
- (d) were employers or self-employed persons who

had a job, business or farm, but were not at work.

Unemployed persons are those 15 years and over who were not employed during the survey week, and:

(a) had actively looked for full-time or part-time work at any time in the four weeks up to the end of the survey week and:

(i) were available for work in the survey week, or would have been available except for temporary illness (i.e., lasting for less than four weeks to the end of the survey week); or

(ii) were waiting to start a new job within four weeks from the end of the survey week and would have started in the survey week if the job had been available then; or

(b) were waiting to be called back to a full-time or part-time job from which they had been stood down without pay for less than four weeks up to the end of the survey week (including the whole of the survey week) for reasons other than bad weather or plant breakdown.

The labour force comprises all persons who, during the survey week, were employed or unemployed, as defined above.

Full-time workers are those who usually work 35 hours a week or more and others who, although usually part-time workers, worked 35 hours or more during the survey week. Part-time workers are those who usually work less than 35 hours a week and who did so during the survey week. When recording hours of work, fractions of an hour are disregarded.

Persons not in the labour force are those who, during the survey week, were not in the categories "employed" or "unemployed".

Average (mean) duration of unemployment is the duration obtained by dividing the aggregate number of weeks a group has been unemployed by the number of persons in that group.

Median duration of unemployment is the duration which divides unemployed persons into two equal groups, one comprising persons whose duration of unemployment is above the median and the other persons whose duration is below it.

Comparability of series

5. Occasionally the estimates of month-to-month changes in numbers employed are difficult to reconcile with what is known of developments in industry, commerce or government employment. For this reason an investigation is being undertaken of methods and procedures used in producing the estimates.

Reliability of estimates

6. Since the estimates in this publication are based on information obtained from occupants

of a sample of dwellings they, and the movements derived from them, are subject to sampling variability; that is, they may differ from the figures that would have been produced if all dwellings had been included in the survey. One measure of the likely difference is given by the standard error, which indicates the extent to which an estimate might have varied by chance because only a sample of dwellings was included in the survey. There are about two chances in three that a sample estimate will differ by less than one standard error from the figure that would have been obtained if all dwellings had been included in the survey, and about nineteen chances in twenty that the difference will be less than two standard errors. Standard errors of survey estimates and month-to-month movements are shown at the foot of page 15.

Related publications

7. Users may also wish to refer to the following publications, available on request:

- 6201.0 Unemployment, Australia (Preliminary Estimates) (monthly)
- 6202.0 The Labour Force, Australia (Preliminary) (monthly)
- 6203.0 The Labour Force, Australia (monthly)
- 6204.0 The Labour Force, Australia (annual)
- 6213.0 Civilian Employees, Australia (monthly)
- 6231.0 Job Vacancies, Australia (quarterly)
- 6232.0 Information Paper: Questionnaires Used in the Labour Force Survey (irregular)
- 6236.0 Unemployment, Underemployment, and Related Statistics, Australia, February 1978 to February 1980 (irregular)
- 6330.0 Overtime, Australia (monthly)

8. Current publications produced by the ABS are listed in the Catalogue of Publications (1101.0) which is available free of charge from any ABS Office.

9. Other unpublished data from labour force surveys on aspects of the Victorian labour force is held by the Victorian Office of the ABS, and may be available on request.

Symbols and other usages

n.a. not available

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* subject to sampling variability too high for most practical purposes

Figures have been rounded, and discrepancies may occur between sums of the component items and totals.

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TABLE 1. VICTORIA - CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER, BY EMPLOYMENT STATUS

Month	Unemployed looking for work -				Labour force (1'000)	Not in labour force (1'000)	Civilian population 15 years and over (1'000)	Unemploy- ment rate (a) (per cent)	Partici- pation rate (b) (per cent)
	Empl- oyed (1'000)	Full- time (1'000)	Part- time (1'000)	Total (1'000)					
MALES									
1979 - November	1,058.4	42.3	*	45.3	1,103.7	304.1	1,407.7	4.1	78.4
December	1,080.1	46.8	5.8	52.6	1,132.6	276.9	1,409.6	4.6	80.4
1980 - January	1,064.7	51.3	*	55.2	1,119.9	291.5	1,411.4	4.9	79.3
February	1,065.0	46.9	5.7	52.7	1,117.6	295.8	1,413.4	4.7	79.1
March	1,057.4	46.8	5.0	51.8	1,109.2	305.8	1,414.9	4.7	78.4
April	1,057.7	41.4	4.7	46.1	1,103.8	312.9	1,416.7	4.2	77.9
May	1,065.4	45.7	6.5	52.3	1,117.7	300.2	1,417.9	4.7	78.8
June	1,054.7	47.3	5.5	52.8	1,107.5	311.7	1,419.2	4.8	78.0
July	1,062.4	47.0	6.0	53.0	1,115.4	305.2	1,420.6	4.8	78.5
August	1,061.8	49.5	*	53.6	1,115.4	306.6	1,422.0	4.8	78.4
September	1,068.7	50.6	*	53.8	1,122.5	301.3	1,423.8	4.8	78.8
October	1,065.5	46.1	*	49.8	1,115.2	311.3	1,426.6	4.5	78.2
November	1,068.7	42.2	*	44.5	1,113.2	313.5	1,426.7	4.0	78.0
December	1,087.7	53.3	5.4	58.8	1,146.4	281.4	1,427.8	5.1	80.3
MARRIED FEMALES									
1979 - November	394.3	12.0	12.3	24.3	418.6	508.1	926.7	5.8	45.2
December	388.0	11.3	7.8	19.1	407.1	517.5	924.6	4.7	44.0
1980 - January	373.9	9.8	5.6	15.3	389.2	541.1	930.2	3.9	41.8
February	391.9	12.7	10.1	22.8	414.7	508.6	923.3	5.5	44.9
March	398.8	11.2	11.8	22.9	421.7	499.0	920.7	5.4	45.8
April	389.1	12.9	11.5	24.4	413.5	509.9	923.3	5.9	44.8
May	388.4	10.3	9.5	19.8	408.2	515.4	923.6	4.9	44.2
June	394.6	12.4	10.4	22.7	417.3	505.2	922.5	5.5	45.2
July	398.9	11.8	8.3	20.1	418.9	498.8	917.8	4.8	45.6
August	405.5	12.9	7.8	20.7	426.1	504.5	930.7	4.8	45.8
September	397.5	14.1	10.3	24.4	421.8	504.6	926.4	5.7	45.5
October	394.1	14.5	11.5	26.0	420.1	516.1	936.1	6.2	44.9
November	398.3	13.0	8.8	21.8	420.1	512.3	932.4	5.2	45.1
December	393.9	13.6	8.3	22.0	415.9	515.8	931.7	5.3	44.6
OTHER FEMALES (c)									
1979 - November	224.3	20.7	5.3	26.0	250.3	278.8	529.1	10.4	47.3
December	229.5	26.2	6.0	32.2	261.7	271.7	533.5	12.3	49.1
1980 - January	222.0	30.1	5.0	35.1	257.1	272.7	529.8	13.7	48.5
February	229.3	29.4	*	33.6	262.9	275.8	538.7	12.8	48.8
March	229.2	23.8	6.7	30.5	259.7	283.5	543.2	11.7	47.8
April	227.6	28.0	6.0	34.0	261.6	280.9	542.5	13.0	48.2
May	234.9	24.8	7.3	32.1	266.9	276.6	543.5	12.0	49.1
June	235.5	26.6	5.9	32.5	268.0	278.3	546.3	12.1	49.1
July	236.3	25.0	5.7	30.7	267.1	285.1	552.2	11.5	48.4
August	233.2	25.0	5.0	30.1	263.3	277.6	540.9	11.4	48.7
September	238.3	23.3	7.6	30.8	269.1	278.0	547.2	11.5	49.2
October	234.4	23.0	5.6	28.6	263.0	277.0	539.9	10.9	48.7
November	233.7	24.1	5.0	29.2	262.9	281.2	544.1	11.1	48.3
December	246.0	31.5	7.3	38.9	284.8	261.4	546.2	13.6	52.1

TABLE 1. VICTORIA - CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER, BY EMPLOYMENT STATUS - continued

Month	Unemployed looking for work -				Labour force ('000)	Not in labour force ('000)	Civilian population 15 years and over ('000)	Unemploy- ment rate (a) (per cent)	Partici- pation rate (b) (per cent)
	Empl- oyed ('000)	Full- time ('000)	Part- time ('000)	Total ('000)					
ALL FEMALES									
1979 - November	618.6	32.7	17.6	50.3	668.9	786.9	1,455.8	7.5	45.9
December	617.5	37.5	13.8	51.3	668.8	789.3	1,458.1	7.7	45.9
1980 - January	595.9	39.9	10.5	50.4	646.3	813.8	1,460.1	7.8	44.3
February	621.3	42.1	14.2	56.3	677.6	784.4	1,462.0	8.3	46.3
March	628.0	34.9	18.5	53.4	681.4	782.4	1,463.8	7.8	46.6
April	616.7	40.9	17.5	58.4	675.0	790.7	1,465.8	8.6	46.1
May	623.3	35.0	16.9	51.9	675.2	792.0	1,467.2	7.7	46.0
June	630.0	39.0	16.3	55.3	685.3	783.4	1,468.8	8.1	46.7
July	635.2	36.7	14.0	50.8	686.0	783.9	1,469.9	7.4	46.7
August	638.7	37.9	12.8	50.7	689.4	782.2	1,471.6	7.4	46.8
September	635.8	37.3	17.9	55.2	691.0	782.6	1,473.6	8.0	46.9
October	628.5	37.5	17.1	54.6	683.1	793.0	1,476.1	8.0	46.3
November	631.9	37.2	13.8	51.0	683.0	793.6	1,476.6	7.5	46.3
December	639.9	45.2	15.7	60.8	700.7	777.2	1,477.9	8.7	47.4
PERSONS									
1979 - November	1,677.0	75.0	20.6	95.6	1,772.6	1,090.9	2,863.5	5.4	61.9
December	1,697.6	84.3	19.6	103.9	1,801.4	1,066.2	2,867.6	5.8	62.8
1980 - January	1,660.6	91.2	14.4	105.6	1,766.3	1,105.3	2,871.5	6.0	61.5
February	1,686.2	89.0	20.0	109.0	1,795.2	1,080.2	2,875.4	6.1	62.4
March	1,685.4	81.7	23.5	105.2	1,790.6	1,088.2	2,878.8	5.9	62.2
April	1,674.4	82.2	22.2	104.5	1,778.8	1,103.6	2,882.5	5.9	61.7
May	1,688.6	80.8	23.4	104.2	1,792.8	1,092.2	2,885.0	5.8	62.1
June	1,684.7	86.3	21.8	108.1	1,792.8	1,095.1	2,887.9	6.0	62.1
July	1,697.6	83.8	20.1	103.8	1,801.4	1,089.1	2,890.5	5.8	62.3
August	1,700.5	87.4	16.9	104.3	1,804.8	1,088.7	2,893.6	5.8	62.4
September	1,704.5	87.9	21.1	109.0	1,813.5	1,083.8	2,897.3	6.0	62.6
October	1,693.9	83.6	20.8	104.4	1,798.3	1,104.3	2,902.6	5.8	62.0
November	1,700.6	79.4	16.1	95.5	1,796.1	1,107.1	2,903.3	5.3	61.9
December	1,727.6	98.5	21.1	119.6	1,847.2	1,058.6	2,905.8	6.5	63.6

(a) The number of unemployed in each group as a percentage of the labour force in the same group.

(b) The labour force in each group as a percentage of the civilian population aged 15 years and over in the same group. (c) Never married, widowed, and divorced.

TABLE 2. VICTORIA - CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER, BY EMPLOYMENT STATUS AND MARITAL STATUS, DECEMBER 1980

Marital status	Employed (¹ 000)	Unemployed (¹ 000)	Labour force (¹ 000)	Not in labour force (¹ 000)	Civilian population aged 15 years and over (¹ 000)	Unemployment rate (a) (per cent)	Participation rate (b) (per cent)
MELBOURNE STATISTICAL DIVISION							
Males -							
Married	521.0	13.4	534.4	112.8	647.2	2.5	82.6
Other (c)	256.4	32.3	288.8	83.0	371.8	11.2	77.7
Total	777.5	45.7	823.2	195.8	1,019.0	5.6	80.8
Females -							
Married	287.8	17.4	305.2	356.4	661.6	5.7	46.1
Other (c)	187.9	28.4	216.3	190.7	407.0	13.1	53.1
Total	475.8	45.8	521.5	547.1	1,068.6	8.8	48.8
Persons -							
Married	808.9	30.8	839.7	469.2	1,308.8	3.7	64.2
Other (c)	444.4	60.7	505.1	273.8	778.9	12.0	64.9
Total	1,253.2	91.5	1,344.8	742.9	2,087.7	6.8	64.4
REST OF VICTORIA							
Males -							
Married	217.6	3.9	221.4	52.5	274.0	1.8	80.8
Other (c)	92.7	9.1	101.8	33.1	134.8	9.0	75.5
Total	310.2	13.0	323.2	85.6	408.8	4.0	79.1
Females -							
Married	106.1	4.6	110.7	159.5	270.1	4.1	41.0
Other (c)	58.1	10.5	68.5	70.6	139.1	15.3	49.3
Total	164.1	15.0	179.2	230.1	409.3	8.4	43.8
Persons -							
Married	323.6	8.5	332.1	212.0	544.1	2.6	61.0
Other (c)	150.7	19.6	170.3	103.7	274.0	11.5	62.2
Total	474.3	28.1	502.4	315.7	818.1	5.6	61.4
TOTAL VICTORIA							
Males -							
Married	738.6	17.3	755.9	165.3	921.2	2.3	82.1
Other (c)	349.1	41.5	390.6	116.1	506.7	10.6	77.1
Total	1,087.7	58.8	1,146.4	281.4	1,427.8	5.1	80.3
Females -							
Married	393.9	22.0	415.9	515.8	931.7	5.3	44.6
Other (c)	246.0	38.9	284.8	261.4	546.2	13.6	52.1
Total	639.9	60.8	700.7	777.2	1,477.9	8.7	47.4
Persons -							
Married	1,132.5	39.3	1,171.8	681.1	1,852.9	3.4	63.2
Other (c)	595.1	80.3	675.4	377.5	1,052.9	11.9	64.1
Total	1,727.6	119.6	1,847.2	1,058.6	2,905.8	6.5	63.6

(a) The number of unemployed in each group as a percentage of the labour force in the same group.
 (b) The labour force in each group as a percentage of the civilian population aged 15 years and over in the same group. (c) Never married, widowed, and divorced.

TABLE 3. VICTORIA - CIVILIAN LABOUR FORCE BY AGE, DECEMBER 1980

Age group (years)	Number ('000)					Participation rate (per cent) (b)				
	Males	Married females	Other females	All females	Persons	Males	Married females	Other females	All females	Persons
			(a)					(a)		
MELBOURNE STATISTICAL DIVISION										
15 - 64 -	812.1	304.4	214.0	518.4	1,330.5	88.5	50.6	68.3	56.7	72.6
15 - 19	84.6	*	74.9	76.4	161.1	69.6	*	65.0	64.5	67.1
20 - 24	115.3	33.5	63.3	96.7	212.1	92.1	65.3	88.4	78.8	85.5
25 - 34	221.0	98.4	38.9	137.4	358.4	97.5	52.2	85.2	58.6	77.7
35 - 44	164.7	91.0	16.3	107.4	272.1	95.2	63.4	64.9	63.6	79.6
45 - 54	136.9	59.7	12.1	71.9	208.8	91.2	48.2	60.2	49.8	70.9
55 - 59	60.6	14.8	5.5	20.4	81.0	87.1	28.5	31.6	29.3	58.2
60 - 64	29.0	5.3	*	8.2	37.1	56.3	13.9	*	14.6	34.5
65 and over	11.0	*	*	*	14.2	12.0	*	*	*	5.1
Total	823.1	305.2	216.3	521.5	1,344.8	80.8	46.1	53.1	48.8	64.4
REST OF VICTORIA										
15 - 64 -	315.3	109.6	67.9	177.5	492.8	88.4	45.2	66.8	51.6	70.3
15 - 19	38.3	*	29.7	30.3	68.6	73.4	*	62.4	61.6	67.7
20 - 24	43.6	10.9	20.4	31.3	74.9	95.5	51.4	96.7	74.0	85.1
25 - 34	80.2	34.2	7.3	41.5	121.7	97.8	48.2	70.8	51.1	74.5
35 - 34	63.7	32.0	4.1	36.0	99.8	97.3	56.3	70.1	57.5	77.9
45 - 54	52.8	22.3	*	26.1	78.8	89.6	45.1	*	46.6	68.6
55 - 59	24.3	7.7	*	9.6	33.8	84.2	32.2	*	32.9	58.4
60 - 64	12.4	*	*	*	15.1	52.8	*	*	*	32.0
65 and over	7.9	*	*	*	9.6	15.2	*	*	*	8.2
Total	323.2	110.7	68.5	179.2	502.4	79.1	41.0	49.3	43.8	61.4
TOTAL VICTORIA										
15 - 64 -	1,127.5	414.0	281.9	695.9	1,823.4	88.5	49.1	67.9	55.3	72.0
15 - 19	123.0	*	104.5	106.7	229.7	70.7	*	64.3	63.7	67.3
20 - 24	158.9	44.4	83.7	128.1	287.0	93.0	61.2	90.3	77.5	85.4
25 - 34	301.3	132.7	46.2	178.9	480.2	97.6	51.1	82.6	56.7	76.9
35 - 44	228.5	123.0	20.4	143.4	371.9	95.8	61.3	65.9	62.0	79.1
45 - 54	189.6	82.0	15.9	98.0	287.6	90.7	47.3	59.5	48.9	70.3
55 - 59	84.9	22.6	7.4	29.9	114.8	86.2	29.7	32.6	30.4	58.3
60 - 64	41.3	7.2	*	10.9	52.3	55.2	12.7	*	13.7	33.8
65 and over	19.0	*	*	4.8	23.8	17.1	*	*	2.2	5.9
Total	1,146.4	415.9	284.8	700.7	1,847.2	80.3	44.6	52.1	47.4	63.6

(a) Never married, widowed, and divorced. (b) The labour force in each group as a percentage of the civilian population aged 15 years and over in the same group.

TABLE 4. VICTORIA - CIVILIAN LABOUR FORCE (a) BY EMPLOYMENT STATUS, BIRTHPLACE,
AND PERIOD OF ARRIVAL IN AUSTRALIA, DECEMBER 1980

Birthplace particulars	Employed ('000)			Unemp- loyed (('000)	Labour force (('000)	Unemploy- ment rate (b) (per cent)	Particip- ation rate (c) (per cent)
	Full-time	Part-time	Total				
MALES							
Born in Australia	699.0	52.2	751.2	39.6	790.8	5.0	80.8
Born outside Australia - Place of birth -	324.3	12.2	336.5	19.1	355.6	5.4	81.4
Greece	26.2	*	27.0	*	29.2	*	80.2
Italy	48.0	*	48.7	*	50.6	*	84.1
Yugoslavia	26.1	*	26.1	*	28.2	*	84.3
U.K. and Ireland	98.5	*	102.0	5.7	107.7	5.3	80.9
New Zealand	9.4	*	10.1	*	10.3	*	84.3
Other countries	116.1	6.5	122.6	7.0	129.6	5.4	80.3
Main English - speaking countries (d)	111.7	4.6	116.3	6.1	122.4	5.0	80.8
Other than main English - speaking countries	212.6	7.6	220.2	13.0	233.2	5.6	81.7
Period of arrival in Australia -							
Arrived before 1961	139.6	5.9	145.5	4.5	150.1	3.0	74.7
Arrived from 1961 to 1965	47.9	*	50.6	*	54.1	*	88.7
Arrived from 1966 to 1970	62.5	*	64.0	5.1	69.1	7.3	87.4
Arrived from 1971 to 1975	44.9	*	46.3	*	48.9	*	89.2
Arrived from 1976 to survey date	29.4	*	30.1	*	33.6	*	81.2
FEMALES							
Born in Australia	295.3	165.4	460.7	42.0	502.7	8.4	47.5
Born outside Australia - Place of birth -	135.4	43.7	179.1	18.8	198.0	9.5	49.3
Greece	13.7	4.5	18.2	*	20.7	*	59.5
Italy	14.8	*	17.3	*	19.1	*	36.4
Yugoslavia	13.1	*	14.8	*	16.9	*	61.8
U.K. and Ireland	38.8	15.9	54.7	*	58.7	*	49.8
New Zealand	5.1	*	8.0	*	8.6	*	64.6
Other countries	50.0	16.2	66.2	7.7	73.9	10.4	47.6
Main English - speaking countries (d)	46.4	19.4	65.8	4.9	70.7	6.9	51.5
Other than main English - speaking countries	89.0	24.4	113.3	13.9	127.3	10.9	48.2
Period of arrival in Australia -							
Arrived before 1961	44.2	20.0	64.1	*	68.0	*	37.8
Arrived from 1961 to 1965	22.9	7.3	30.1	*	32.0	*	56.6
Arrived from 1966 to 1970	30.3	6.7	37.0	5.6	42.6	13.1	61.3
Arrived from 1971 to 1975	22.3	5.8	28.0	*	30.4	*	59.8
Arrived from 1976 to survey date	15.8	*	19.8	5.2	25.0	20.8	56.3

TABLE 4. VICTORIA - CIVILIAN LABOUR FORCE (a) BY EMPLOYMENT STATUS, BIRTHPLACE, AND PERIOD OF ARRIVAL IN AUSTRALIA, DECEMBER 1980 - continued

Birthplace particulars	Employed ('000)			Unemp- loyed ('000)	Labour force ('000)	Unemploy- ment rate (b) (per cent)	Particip- ation rate (c) (per cent)
	Full-time	Part-time	Total				
PERSONS							
Born in Australia.	994.3	217.6	1,211.9	81.6	1,293.5	6.3	63.5
Born outside Australia -	459.7	55.9	515.6	38.0	553.6	6.9	66.9
Place of birth -							
Greece	39.9	5.4	45.2	4.7	49.9	9.4	70.1
Italy	62.8	*	66.0	*	69.7	*	61.9
Yugoslav ia	39.2	*	40.9	*	45.2	*	74.2
U.K. and Ireland	137.3	19.4	156.7	9.7	166.4	5.8	66.3
New Zealand	14.5	*	18.0	*	18.9	*	74.0
Other countries	166.1	22.7	188.8	14.7	203.5	7.2	64.2
Main English -							
speaking countries (d)	158.2	24.0	182.1	11.0	193.2	5.7	66.9
Other than main English -							
speaking countries	301.6	32.0	333.5	26.9	360.5	7.5	65.6
Africa	10.9	*	12.4	*	13.3	*	70.9
America	10.0	*	10.8	*	11.6	*	70.5
Asia	48.4	5.8	54.2	7.7	62.0	12.5	67.2
Europe	374.9	43.6	418.5	27.2	445.7	6.1	65.4
Oceania	15.6	*	19.8	*	21.1	*	73.2
Period of arrival in							
Australia -							
Arrived before 1961	183.7	25.9	209.6	8.4	218.1	3.9	57.2
Arrived from 1961 to 1965	70.7	10.0	80.7	5.3	86.1	6.2	73.2
Arrived from 1966 to 1970	92.9	8.2	101.0	10.6	111.7	9.5	75.2
Arrived from 1971 to 1975	67.1	7.2	74.4	4.9	79.3	6.2	75.1
Arrived from 1976 to							
survey date	45.2	4.7	49.9	8.7	58.6	14.8	68.3

(a) Civilians aged 15 years and over. (b) The number of unemployed in each group as a percentage of the labour force in the same group. (c) The labour force in each group as a percentage of the civilian population aged 15 years and over in the same group. Because it is not practicable to ascertain the birthplace of persons in institutions (who are classified as not in the labour force), labour force participation rates for persons classified by birthplace are calculated by using population estimates which exclude those in institutions. (d) Comprises United Kingdom and Ireland, Canada, United States of America, South Africa, and New Zealand.

TABLE 5. VICTORIA - EMPLOYED PERSONS BY AGE AND MARITAL STATUS, DECEMBER 1980
('000)

Marital status	Age group (years)								Total
	15-19	20-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-59	60-64	65 and over	
MELBOURNE STATISTICAL DIVISION									
Males -									
Married	*	20.3	154.5	142.8	120.3	51.2	22.4	9.2	521.0
Other (a)	67.9	83.8	59.1	19.0	12.9	8.1	*	*	256.4
Total	68.2	104.1	213.6	161.7	133.2	59.3	26.5	10.8	777.5
Females -									
Married	*	30.5	91.0	87.3	57.5	14.4	5.1	*	287.8
Other (a)	59.2	57.6	35.1	15.3	11.0	5.1	*	*	187.9
Total	60.4	88.1	126.2	102.6	68.6	19.5	7.7	*	475.8
Persons -									
Married	*	50.8	245.6	230.1	177.8	65.6	27.5	10.1	808.9
Other (a)	127.1	141.4	94.2	34.2	23.9	13.2	6.8	*	444.4
Total	128.5	192.2	339.8	264.3	201.8	78.8	34.3	13.6	1,253.2
REST OF VICTORIA									
Males -									
Married	*	10.0	62.6	58.6	46.8	21.6	11.4	6.2	217.6
Other (a)	31.2	31.4	16.2	*	5.2	*	*	*	92.7
Total	31.4	41.4	78.8	62.8	52.0	23.8	12.2	7.9	310.2
Females -									
Married	*	10.0	32.3	30.8	21.9	7.7	*	*	106.1
Other (a)	23.6	17.5	6.0	*	*	*	*	*	58.1
Total	24.0	27.5	38.3	34.9	25.5	9.6	*	*	164.1
Persons -									
Married	*	20.0	94.9	89.5	68.7	29.4	13.3	7.2	323.6
Other (a)	54.8	48.9	22.2	8.2	8.8	*	*	*	150.7
Total	55.4	68.9	117.1	97.6	77.5	33.4	14.9	9.6	474.3
TOTAL VICTORIA									
Males -									
Married	*	30.3	217.1	201.4	167.1	72.8	33.9	15.4	738.6
Other (a)	99.1	115.2	75.3	23.1	18.1	10.3	4.8	*	349.1
Total	99.6	145.5	292.4	224.5	185.2	83.1	38.7	18.7	1,087.7
Females -									
Married	*	40.5	123.4	118.2	79.4	22.1	7.0	*	393.9
Other (a)	82.8	75.1	41.1	19.3	14.7	6.9	*	*	246.0
Total	84.3	115.6	164.5	137.5	94.1	29.1	10.5	*	639.9
Persons -									
Married	*	70.8	340.4	319.6	246.5	94.9	40.8	17.3	1,132.5
Other (a)	181.9	190.3	116.4	42.4	32.7	17.2	8.3	5.8	595.1
Total	183.9	261.1	456.9	362.0	279.2	112.1	49.2	23.1	1,727.6

(a) Never married, widowed, and divorced.

TABLE 6. VICTORIA - EMPLOYED PERSONS (a): FULL-TIME AND PART-TIME STATUS, BY AGE, DECEMBER 1980 ('000)

Status	Age group (years)								Total
	15-19	20-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-59	60-64	65 and over	
MARRIED MALES									
Full-time workers	*	30.1	214.2	198.8	162.6	70.3	30.3	9.6	716.2
Part-time workers	*	*	5.5		4.5	6.1		5.8	22.4
Total	*	30.3	217.1	201.4	167.1	72.8	33.9	15.4	738.6
OTHER MALES (b)									
Full-time workers	76.6	107.7	69.7	21.8	16.4	9.4	5.4		307.1
Part-time workers	22.5	7.4	5.6	*	*	*	*	*	42.0
Total	99.1	115.2	75.3	23.1	18.1	10.3	4.8	*	349.1
ALL MALES									
Full-time workers	76.9	137.8	283.9	220.6	179.0	79.7	34.3	11.0	1,023.3
Part-time workers	22.7	7.7	8.5	*	6.2	7.8		7.7	64.4
Total	99.6	145.5	292.4	224.5	185.2	83.1	38.7	18.7	1,087.7
MARRIED FEMALES									
Full-time workers	*	33.0	73.5	67.3	43.5	14.1	*	*	236.2
Part-time workers	*	7.5	49.8	50.9	35.9	8.0	5.4		157.7
Total	*	40.5	123.4	118.2	79.4	22.1	7.0	*	393.9
OTHER FEMALES (b)									
Full-time workers	57.6	67.3	33.9	15.2	12.4	4.8	*	*	194.5
Part-time workers	25.2	7.9	7.2	6.4		4.8			51.4
Total	82.8	75.1	41.1	19.3	14.7	6.9	6.0		246.0
ALL FEMALES									
Full-time workers	59.0	100.2	107.4	82.5	55.9	18.9	5.1	*	430.7
Part-time workers	25.4	15.4	57.0	55.0	38.2	10.2	5.3	*	209.2
Total	84.3	115.6	164.5	137.5	94.1	29.1	10.5	4.4	639.9
MARRIED PERSONS									
Full-time workers	*	63.1	287.8	266.1	206.1	84.4	33.3	10.0	952.3
Part-time workers	*	7.7	52.7	53.5	40.4	10.5	7.5	7.3	180.2
Total	*	70.8	340.4	319.6	246.5	94.9	40.8	17.3	1,132.5
OTHER PERSONS (b)									
Full-time workers	134.2	175.0	103.6	37.0	28.8	14.2	6.1	*	501.6
Part-time workers	47.6	15.3	12.8	5.4	7.0		5.4		93.4
Total	181.9	190.3	116.4	42.4	32.7	17.2	8.3	5.8	595.1
ALL PERSONS									
Full-time workers	135.8	238.1	391.3	303.1	234.9	98.6	39.4	12.7	1,454.0
Part-time workers	48.1	23.1	65.5	58.9	44.3	13.6	9.8	10.4	273.6
Total	183.9	261.1	456.9	362.0	279.2	112.1	49.2	23.1	1,727.6

(a) Civilians aged 15 years and over. (b) Never married, widowed, and divorced.

TABLE 7. VICTORIA - EMPLOYED PERSONS (a) BY HOURS WORKED (b), DECEMBER 1980

Weekly hours worked	Number employed ('000)					Percentage distribution				
	Married		Other		All Persons	Married		Other		All Persons
	Males	females	females	females		Males	females	females	females	
	(c)					(c)				
0 (d)	43.4	17.1	7.5	24.6	68.0	4.0	4.4	3.0	3.8	3.9
1-15	33.8	70.2	30.0	100.2	134.1	3.1	17.6	12.2	15.7	7.8
16-29	47.5	65.8	19.9	85.7	133.2	4.3	16.7	8.1	13.3	7.7
30-34	53.1	35.1	19.7	54.8	107.9	4.9	8.9	8.0	8.6	6.3
35-39	125.8	52.5	50.9	103.3	229.1	11.6	13.3	20.7	16.1	13.3
40	376.5	101.9	88.7	190.6	567.1	34.6	25.9	36.1	29.8	32.8
41-44	77.1	11.5	13.1	24.5	101.7	7.1	2.9	5.3	3.8	5.9
45-48	105.6	13.6	7.0	20.6	126.2	9.7	3.5	2.8	3.2	7.3
49-59	109.0	13.1	6.6	19.7	128.7	10.0	3.4	2.7	3.1	7.4
60 and over	115.8	13.1	*	15.8	131.6	10.7	3.4	*	2.5	7.6
Total	1,087.7	393.9	246.0	639.9	1,727.6	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED (e)

Full-time workers	42.8	39.4	37.6	38.6	41.5	..	..	..	..	..
Part-time workers	17.1	16.2	14.6	15.8	16.1	..	..	..	..	..
All employed persons	41.3	30.1	32.8	31.1	37.5	..	..	..	..	..

(a) Civilians aged 15 years and over. (b) Actual hours worked during survey week, not hours paid for. The figures may be affected by public holidays, leave, and absenteeism; temporary absence from work due to sickness, accidents, and industrial disputes; and work stoppages caused by bad weather, plant breakdown, etc. (c) Never married, widowed, and divorced. (d) Persons who had a job from which they were absent for the whole of the survey week. Excludes persons laid off without pay for the whole of the survey week; these persons are classified as unemployed. (e) The relative standard errors of these estimates are obtained by first finding the relative standard error of the estimate of the total number of persons contributing to the estimate (see Table A on page 15), and then multiplying the figure so obtained by a factor of 0.5. For further information, see "Technical Note" in The Labour Force, Australia (6203.0).

TABLE 8. VICTORIA - UNEMPLOYED PERSONS (a) BY AGE AND WHETHER
LOOKING FOR FULL-TIME OR PART-TIME WORK, DECEMBER 1980

Age group (years)	Number ('000)			Unemployment rate (b) (per cent)		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
MELBOURNE STATISTICAL DIVISION						
15-19 -	16.5	16.1	32.6	19.5	21.0	20.2
15-17	9.0	11.6	20.6	22.3	31.9	26.8
18-19	7.4	4.5	12.0	16.9	11.2	14.2
Attending school	5.2	6.5	11.7	26.7	33.5	30.0
Not attending school -	11.3	9.6	20.8	17.3	17.8	17.0
Left before 1979	*	*	6.2	*	*	10.9
Left from 1979 to survey date	8.3	6.3	14.6	23.6	21.2	22.5
20 and over -	29.3	29.7	59.0	4.0	6.7	5.0
20-24	11.2	8.7	19.9	9.7	8.9	9.4
25-34	7.4	11.2	18.6	3.4	8.2	5.2
35-44	*	4.8	7.7	*	4.4	2.8
45-54	*	*	7.0	*	*	3.4
55 and over	*	*	5.7	*	*	4.3
Looking for - Full-time work	41.7	33.8	75.5	5.4	9.2	6.6
Part-time work	*	12.0	16.1	*	7.7	7.9
Total	45.7	45.8	91.5	5.6	8.8	6.8
REST OF VICTORIA						
15-19 -	6.9	6.3	13.2	18.0	20.9	19.3
15-17	5.1	*	9.0	24.9	*	24.9
18-19	*	*	*	*	*	*
20 and over -	6.1	8.7	14.8	2.1	5.9	3.4
20-24	*	*	6.0	*	*	8.0
25-34	*	*	4.7	*	*	3.8
35 and over	*	*	*	*	*	*
Looking for - Full-time work	11.7	11.4	23.0	3.9	10.4	5.6
Part-time work	*	*	5.0	*	*	5.6
Total	13.0	15.0	28.1	4.0	8.4	5.6
TOTAL VICTORIA						
15-19 -	23.4	22.4	45.8	19.0	21.0	19.9
15-17	14.1	15.5	29.6	23.1	29.8	26.2
18-19	9.3	6.9	16.2	15.0	12.6	13.9
Looking for first job	14.7	14.1	28.8	..	..	..
Not looking for first job	8.7	8.3	17.0	..	..	..
Attending school	7.9	8.8	16.7	28.2	33.1	30.6
Not attending school -	15.5	13.6	29.1	16.3	17.0	16.6
Left before 1979	*	5.3	9.3	*	13.6	11.2
Left from 1979 to survey date	11.4	8.4	19.7	22.4	20.4	21.4
20 and over -	35.4	38.4	73.8	3.5	6.5	4.6
20-24	13.4	12.5	25.9	8.4	9.7	9.0
25-34	8.9	14.4	23.3	3.0	8.1	4.9
35-44	*	5.9	9.9	*	4.1	2.7
45-54	4.5	*	8.4	2.4	*	2.9
55 and over	4.6	*	6.4	3.6	*	3.3
Looking for - Full-time work	53.3	45.2	98.5	5.0	7.7	6.3
Part-time work	5.4	15.7	21.1	7.8	7.0	7.2
Total	58.8	60.8	119.6	5.1	8.7	6.5

(a) Civilians aged 15 years and over. (b) The number of unemployed in each group as a percentage of the labour force in the same group.

TABLE 9. VICTORIA - UNEMPLOYED PERSONS (a) BY DURATION OF UNEMPLOYMENT (b), DECEMBER 1980

Duration of unemployment (weeks)	Number ('000)			Percentage distribution		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
Under 2	11.1	10.2	21.3	18.9	16.8	17.8
2 and under 4	7.1	6.6	13.7	12.1	10.9	11.5
4 and under 8	8.3	8.6	16.9	14.1	14.1	14.1
8 and under 13	7.4	7.8	15.2	12.6	12.8	12.7
13 and under 26	7.3	7.9	15.3	12.4	13.0	12.8
26 and under 52	8.9	9.8	18.7	15.2	16.1	15.6
52 and over	8.6	9.9	18.5	14.7	16.3	15.5
Total unemployed	58.8	60.8	119.6	100.0	100.0	100.0
Average (mean) duration (c)	23.9	25.8	24.9	..	..	..
Median duration (c)	9.9	11.2	10.6	..	..	..

(a) Civilians aged 15 years and over. (b) Period from the time the person began looking for work, or was laid off, to the end of the survey week. Periods of unemployment are recorded in complete weeks, resulting in a slight understatement of duration of unemployment. (c) The relative standard errors of these estimates are obtained by first finding the relative standard error of the estimate of the total number of persons contributing to the estimate (see Table A on page 15), and then multiplying the figure so obtained by the following relevant factors: average duration of unemployment: 1.5; median duration of unemployment: 2.0. For further information, see "Technical Note" in *The Labour Force, Australia* (6203.0).

TABLE 10. VICTORIA - UNEMPLOYED PERSONS (a) BY BIRTHPLACE, DECEMBER 1980

Particulars	Number ('000)			Unemployment rate (b) (per cent)		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
BORN IN AUSTRALIA						
Looking for - Full-time work	35.5	31.3	66.8	4.8	9.6	6.3
Part-time work	4.1	10.7	14.8	7.3	6.1	6.4
Marital status - Married	8.0	11.9	20.0	1.7	4.5	2.7
Not married (c)	31.6	30.0	61.6	10.1	12.7	11.2
Total born in Australia	39.6	42.0	81.6	5.0	8.4	6.3
BORN OUTSIDE AUSTRALIA						
Looking for - Full-time work	17.8	13.9	31.7	5.2	9.3	6.5
Part-time work	*	4.9	6.3	*	10.2	10.1
Marital status - Married	9.3	10.0	19.3	3.3	6.7	4.5
Not married (c)	9.9	8.8	18.7	12.6	18.0	14.7
Period of arrival in Australia -						
Arrived before 1966	8.0	5.7	13.8	3.9	5.7	4.5
Arrived from 1966 to 1970	5.1	5.6	10.6	7.3	13.1	9.5
Arrived from 1971 to 1975	*	*	4.9	*	*	6.2
Arrived from 1976 to survey date	*	5.2	8.7	*	20.8	14.8
Place of birth -						
Main English-speaking countries (d)	6.1	4.9	11.0	5.0	6.9	5.7
Other than main English-speaking countries	13.0	13.9	26.9	5.6	10.9	7.5
Total born outside Australia	19.1	18.8	38.0	5.4	9.5	6.9

(a) Civilians aged 15 years and over. (b) The number of unemployed in each group as a percentage of the labour force in the same group. (c) Never married, widowed, and divorced. (d) Comprises United Kingdom and Ireland, Canada, United States of America, South Africa, and New Zealand.

TABLE 11. VICTORIA - PERSONS NOT IN THE LABOUR FORCE (a): SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS,
DECEMBER 1980

Characteristics	Males				Females				Persons	
				Proportion				Proportion		
	Married	Other	Total	of male population (c)	Married	Other	Total	of female population (c)	Total	of population (c)
	('000)	('000)	('000)	(per cent)	('000)	('000)	('000)	(per cent)	('000)	(per cent)
MELBOURNE STATISTICAL DIVISION										
Age (years) -										
15-64 -	46.2	59.4	105.6	11.5	296.6	99.3	395.9	43.3	501.5	27.4
15-19	*	37.0	37.0	30.4	*	40.3	42.0	35.5	79.0	32.9
20-24	*	7.6	9.9	7.9	17.8	8.3	26.1	21.2	35.9	14.5
25-34	*	*	5.7	2.5	90.2	6.8	96.9	41.4	102.7	22.3
35-44	5.3	*	8.3	4.8	52.6	8.8	61.5	36.4	69.8	20.4
45-54	10.1	*	13.2	8.8	64.3	8.0	72.3	50.2	85.5	29.1
55-59	7.2	*	9.0	12.9	37.2	12.0	49.2	70.7	58.2	41.8
60-64	18.6	*	22.4	43.7	32.8	15.2	48.0	85.4	70.4	65.5
65-69	27.4	6.2	33.6	82.7	26.5	22.7	49.2	95.5	82.8	89.9
70 and over	39.2	17.4	56.6	93.4	33.3	68.7	102.0	99.1	158.6	97.0
Total	112.8	83.0	195.8	19.2	356.4	190.7	547.1	51.2	742.9	35.6
Permanently unable to work	n.a.	n.a.	*	..	n.a.	n.a.	*	..	7.0	..
In institutions	n.a.	n.a.	9.0	..	n.a.	n.a.	15.6	..	24.6	..
Aged 15-20 years attending school	n.a.	n.a.	29.4	..	n.a.	n.a.	32.3	..	61.7	..

REST OF VICTORIA

Age (years) -										
15-64 -	17.8	23.5	41.3	11.6	133.0	33.8	166.8	48.4	208.1	29.7
15-19	*	13.9	13.9	26.6	*	17.9	18.9	38.4	32.8	32.3
20-24	*	*	*	*	10.3	*	11.0	26.0	13.1	14.9
25-34	*	*	*	*	36.8	*	39.8	48.9	41.6	25.5
35-44	*	*	*	*	24.9	*	26.6	42.4	28.4	22.1
45-54	*	*	6.2	10.4	27.1	*	29.9	53.4	36.1	31.4
55-59	*	*	4.6	15.8	16.3	*	19.5	67.1	24.1	41.6
60-64	8.7	*	11.1	47.2	16.6	*	21.1	88.5	32.1	68.0
65-69	15.1	*	17.5	83.5	11.5	8.9	20.4	94.5	38.0	89.1
70 and over	19.5	7.2	26.8	85.7	15.0	27.9	42.8	99.0	69.6	93.4
Total	52.5	33.1	85.6	20.9	159.5	70.6	230.1	56.2	315.7	38.6
Permanently unable to work	n.a.	n.a.	*	..	n.a.	n.a.	*	..	*	..
In institutions	n.a.	n.a.	*	..	n.a.	n.a.	*	..	7.0	..
Aged 15-20 years attending school	n.a.	n.a.	12.2	..	n.a.	n.a.	15.2	..	27.4	..

For footnotes see end of table.

TABLE 11. VICTORIA - PERSONS NOT IN THE LABOUR FORCE (a): SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS,
DECEMBER 1980 - continued

Characteristics	Males				Females				Persons	
	Married	Other (b)	Total	Proportion of male population (c)	Married	Other (b)	Total	Proportion of female population (c)	Total	Proportion of population (c)
	('000)	('000)	('000)	(per cent)	('000)	('000)	('000)	(per cent)	('000)	(per cent)
TOTAL VICTORIA										
Age (years) -										
15-64-	64.0	82.9	146.9	11.5	429.6	133.1	562.7	44.7	709.6	28.0
15-19	*	50.9	50.9	29.3	*	58.1	60.9	36.3	111.8	32.7
20-24	*	9.2	11.9	7.0	28.1	9.0	37.1	22.5	49.0	14.6
25-34	*	*	7.5	2.4	127.0	9.7	136.7	43.3	144.2	23.1
35-44	6.9	*	10.1	4.2	77.5	10.6	88.1	38.0	98.2	20.9
45-54	14.1	5.2	19.4	9.3	91.4	10.9	102.2	51.1	121.6	29.7
55-59	8.9	4.6	13.6	13.8	53.5	15.2	68.7	69.6	82.3	41.7
60-64	27.3	6.3	33.5	44.8	49.4	19.6	69.0	86.3	102.5	66.2
65-69	42.5	8.6	51.1	82.9	38.0	31.6	69.6	95.2	120.8	89.6
70 and over	58.7	24.6	83.4	90.8	48.2	96.6	144.8	99.1	228.2	95.9
Total	165.3	116.1	281.4	19.7	515.8	261.4	777.2	52.6	1,058.6	36.4
Permanently unable to work	n.a.	n.a.	4.9	..	n.a.	n.a.	5.0	..	9.9	..
In institutions	n.a.	n.a.	12.5	..	n.a.	n.a.	19.1	..	31.6	..
Aged 15-20 years attending school	n.a.	n.a.	41.6	..	n.a.	n.a.	47.5	..	89.1	..

(a) Civilians aged 15 years and over. (b) Never married, widowed, and divorced. (c) Persons not in the labour force as a percentage of the civilian population in the same group.

TABLE A. VICTORIA - STANDARD ERRORS OF ESTIMATES
('000)

Size of estimate	4.5	5.0	6.0	10.0	20.0	50.0	100.0	200.0	300.0	500.0	1,000.0	2,000.0
Standard error	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.4	1.9	2.7	3.5	4.4	5.0	5.8	7.0	8.4

TABLE B. VICTORIA - STANDARD ERRORS OF ESTIMATES OF MONTH-TO-MONTH MOVEMENTS
('000)

Size of larger estimate	4.5	5.0	6.0	10.0	20.0	50.0	100.0	200.0	300.0	500.0	1,000.0	2,000.0
Standard error	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.4	1.7	2.3	2.8	3.3	3.7	4.2	4.9	5.6